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**CONVICTED FELON FROM OHIO COUNTY
SENTENCED FOR POSSESSION OF A FIREARM**

David L. Huber, United States Attorney for the Western District of Kentucky and Paul Vido, Special Agent in Charge of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF), Louisville Field Division, jointly announced today that on May 18, 2007, **Christopher B. Raymond**, age 44, of 1324 Chestnut Lane, Beaver Dam, was sentenced to **16 months imprisonment** in United States District Court, Owensboro, Kentucky for possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. Joseph H. McKinley, Jr., United States District Court, also sentenced Raymond to 3 years supervised release following incarceration. **There is no parole in the federal judicial system.**

On December 23, 2005, **Raymond** possessed a Browning .12 gauge shotgun which he pawned at the Old Town Pawn Shop in Hartford, Kentucky. **Raymond** has three prior felony drug trafficking offenses in Ohio County and one prior felony drug trafficking offense in Livingston County, Kentucky.

This is a **Project Backfire** prosecution. **Project Backfire** is a partnership of state and federal law enforcement which targets violent offenders for prosecution to the fullest extent of state and federal law.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Michael A. Bennett, and it was investigated by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

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